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MSHA Seeks Mine Inspectors in Western Mining Communities *Applicant Screenings Aug. 8 and 9 at San Juan College in Farmington, N.M.*

FARMINGTON, N.M. —The U.S. Department of Labor's Mine Safety and Health Administration (MSHA) is continuing its efforts to hire new mine inspectors by conducting on-site applicant screenings at San Juan College in Farmington, N.M. on Aug. 8 and 9. Registration for all candidates begins at 7 a.m.

"We're looking for qualified people, dedicated to MSHA's mission, and those who want to end accidental injuries and fatalities in our nation's mines," said David G. Dye, acting administrator for mine safety and health. "This agency needs motivated professionals eager to help us continue to protect the mining industry's number one resource—miners."

MSHA is the federal agency charged with inspection of mining operations nationwide for adherence to regulations designed to protect the safety and health of working miners. The agency is recruiting mine inspectors for surface, underground and electrical positions for the following MSHA locations: Castle Dale and Price, Utah; Craig and Delta, Colo.; Gillette, Wyo.; McAlester, Okla.; and Aztec, N.M.

All persons attending the applicant screening should bring a completed resume and photo identification. Check the MSHA Web site at www.msha.gov to confirm the status of the screenings before traveling to the site.

Applicants will be notified of test results and selected candidates will participate in a two-year formal training program. Applicants must be able to efficiently perform arduous duties. Selected applicants at the GS-9 level will receive a starting salary of about \$42,000 annually. For additional information, please visit the Inspector Career Intern Program Web site at www.msha.gov/Inspectors/InspectorsInternProgram.asp.

Applicant screenings are scheduled as follows:

Farmington, N.M. — August 8 and 9, at 7 a.m. – San Juan College, 4601 College Blvd., 87402.

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